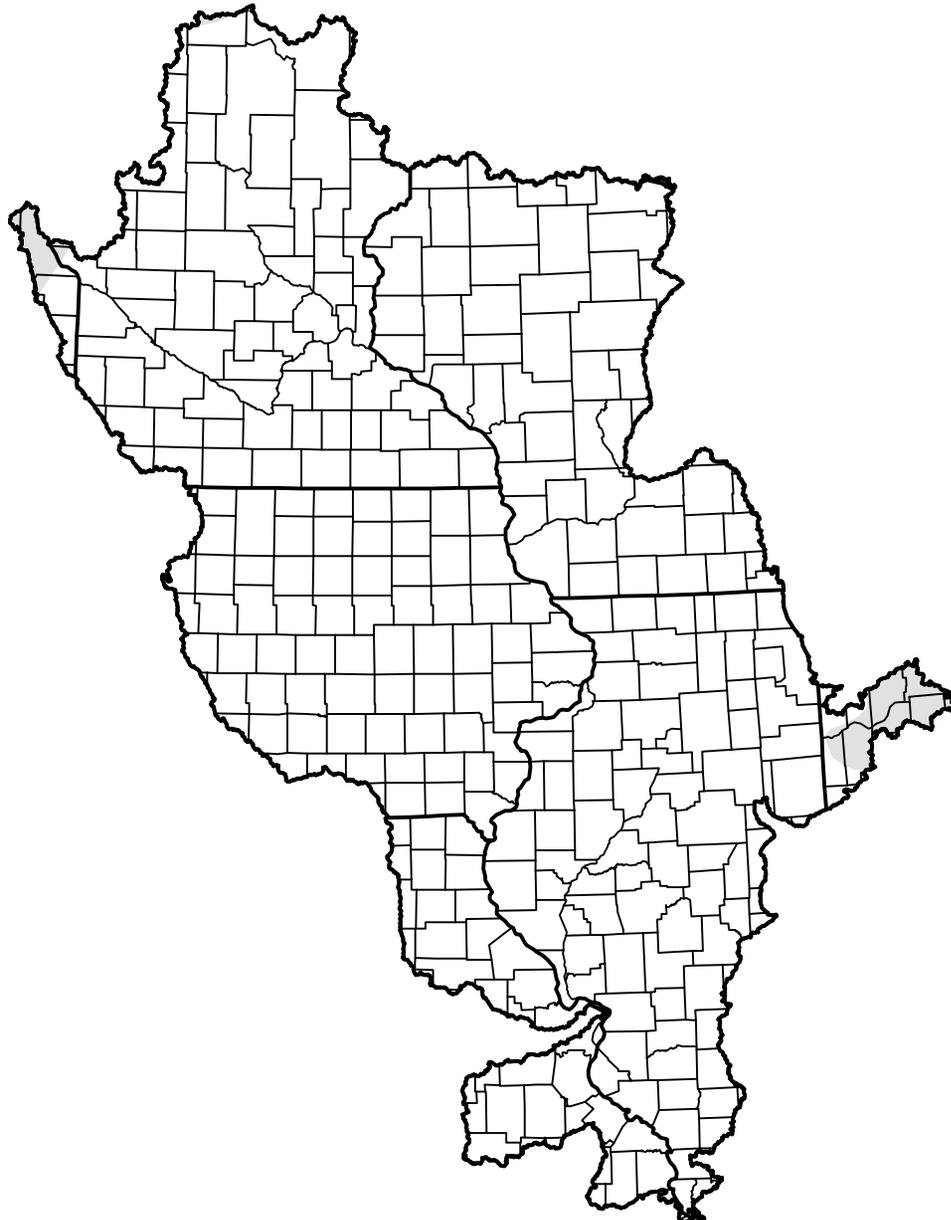


# U.S. Drought Monitor

## Upper Mississippi Watershed

**December 15, 2015**  
 (Released Thursday, Dec. 17, 2015)  
 Valid 7 a.m. EST



*Drought Conditions (Percent Area)*

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
<b>Current</b>	98.37	1.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Last Week</b> <i>12-10-2015</i>	96.54	3.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>3 Months Ago</b> <i>09-17-2015</i>	94.87	5.13	0.92	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Calendar Year</b> <i>12-31-2014</i>	82.45	17.55	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Start of Water Year</b> <i>10-01-2015</i>	86.92	13.08	0.53	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>One Year Ago</b> <i>12-18-2014</i>	82.45	17.55	0.29	0.00	0.00	0.00

***Intensity:***



*The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>*

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